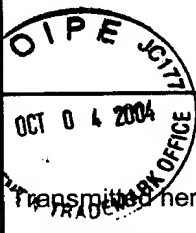

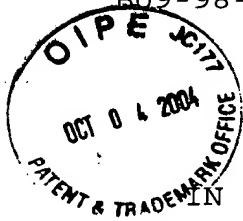


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

No amendments to the specification are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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